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REGULATION OF NON-MEANDERED WATERS INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE TO MEET

PIERRE – The Regulation of Non-Meandered Waters Interim Study Committee will conduct its first meeting on April 27, 2017, in room 362 of the State Capitol in Pierre at 10:00 AM (CDT).

On April 18, 2017, the Executive Board selected *the study of the regulation of access to and use of non-meandered waters on public and private property* as a 2017 interim study. The scope of study will include the Supreme Court opinion-Duerre v. Hepler, 2017 S.D. 8; private property protections; public access to waters including non-meandering waters; regulation and management of non-meandering waters; definition of recreational use on non-meandered waters; and review of past legislation on this subject.

The Executive Board appointed Representative Lee Qualm (R-Platte) to serve as Chair and Senator Brock L. Greenfield (R-Clark) to serve as Vice-Chair of this interim study committee. The complete agenda for the meeting will soon be available at the Legislative Research Council website: http://www.sdlegislature.gov/. No public testimony will be heard at this first meeting. The public will be able to testify at future committee meetings.

In addition to Qualm and Greenfield, the study committee members include Representatives Hugh Bartels (R-Watertown), Mary Duvall (R-Pierre), Spencer Gosch (R-Glenham), Spencer Hawley (D-Brookings), Steven McCleerey (D-Sisseton), Herman Otten (R-Lennox), Larry Rhoden (R-Union Center), Burt Tulson (R-Lake Norden); and Senators Gary Cammack (R-Union Center), Jason Frerichs (D-Wilmot), Craig Kennedy (D-Yankton), Joshua Klumb (R-Mount Vernon), and Jim White (R-Huron).

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